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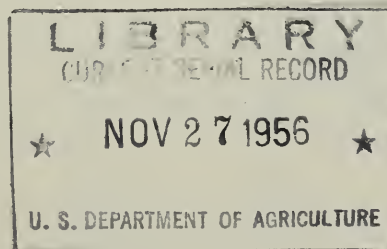
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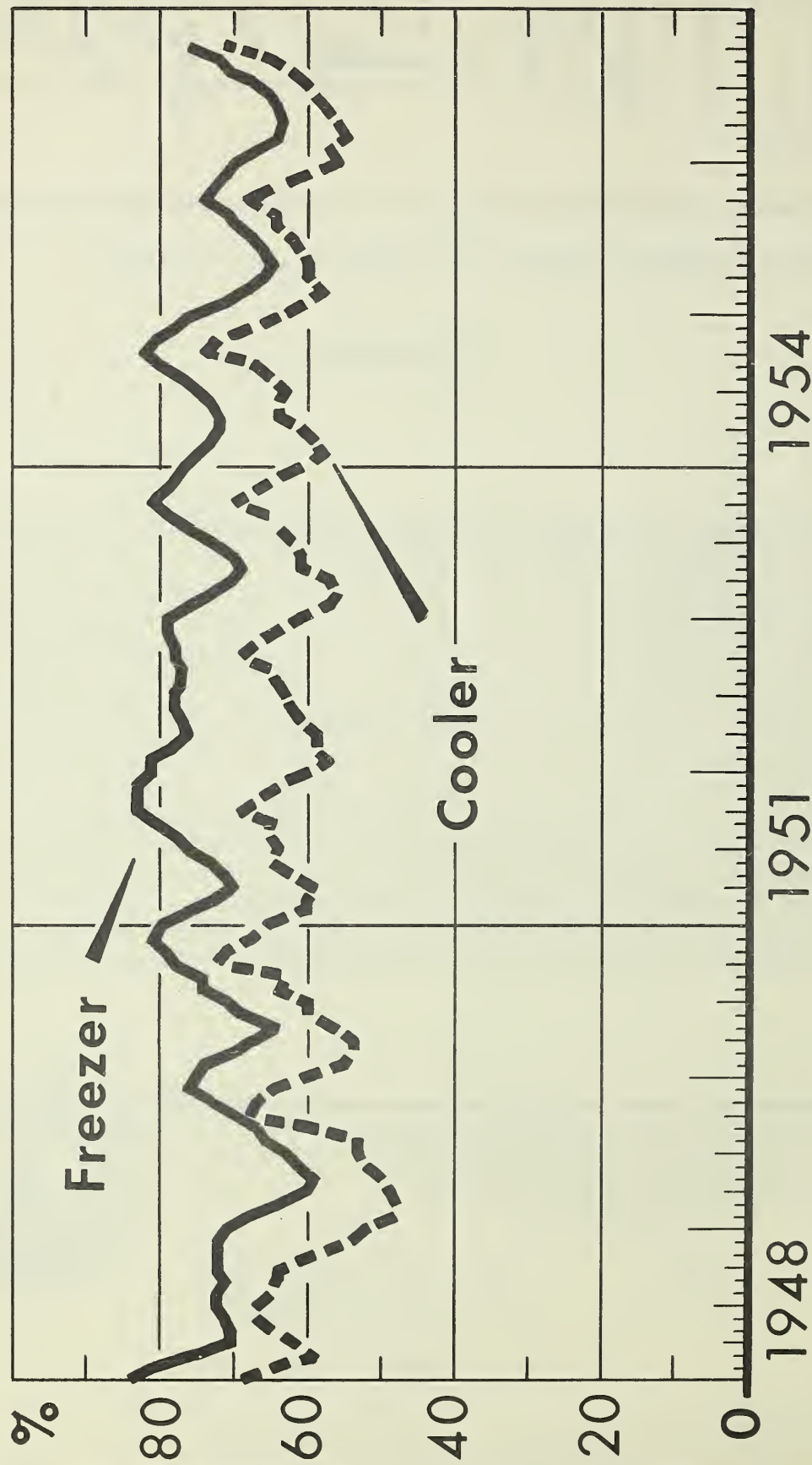
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# PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY



## COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of holdings and space October 31, 1956

Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All October 31 figures are preliminary.7

### Commodity summary

Record quantities of frozen vegetables, turkeys, and poultry were reported in storage on October 31, according to warehouse reports received by the Agricultural Marketing Service. Stocks of frozen vegetables which set a new record high on September 30 were surpassed by the 906 million pounds reported on October 31. A year earlier, only 693 million pounds were in storage while the 1951-55 average for this date is 654 million pounds. Refrigerated holdings of turkeys totaled almost 197 million pounds, the largest on record and, as a result, frozen poultry stocks were also up to record levels. The 360 million pounds of poultry in storage exceeded all previous October 31 holdings and, in addition, were second only to the 364 million pounds reported January 31, 1946. Warehouse stocks of butter, 61 million pounds, were the lowest for this time of year since 1946. A year ago this date, almost 257 million pounds of butter were in storage. On the other hand, American cheese holdings, at 457 million pounds, were above average for the date by 62 million pounds. Stocks of frozen fruits declined seasonally and by October 31 holdings were down to 484 million pounds. By comparison, stocks of a year earlier totaled 459 million and the average is 394 million pounds. Red meat holdings--beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton--were about equal to the stocks of a year earlier. October 31 holdings amounted to 444 million pounds, 9 percent under average for this time of year. The October 31 holdings of shell eggs, at 595,000 cases, were also below average. The 5-year average is 651,000 while holdings this time last year totaled 804,000 cases. Stocks of frozen eggs declined seasonally to 132 million pounds. This reduction was less than average but total holdings were above average by 22 million pounds and greater than holdings of a year earlier by 4 million pounds.

### Storage occupancy

In all areas except the West North Central, cooler occupancy increased during October in amounts ranging from 1 point (West South Central) to 14 points (Middle Atlantic). On October 31, cooler occupancy for the country was 71 percent, a gain of 7 points over a month earlier. The 1951-55 average for October 31 is 70 percent and the average gain for this time of year is 5 points. Freezer occupancy also showed a strong October gain--4 points. This brought the level of use to 76 percent which compares with 74 percent a year earlier and 80 percent, the 5-year average for this time of year. Without exception, freezer occupancy was up in all areas, notably in the East South Central and New England regions.

### General commodity movement

Much of the change in cooler-stored product weights was in fresh fruits, vegetables, and selected meat products. Stocks for these classes of food were increased in sufficient amounts to offset stock declines in other cooler-stored products. By October 31, cooler holdings totaled 3.5 billion pounds, a gain of 1.6 billion over a month earlier. Freezer-stored products totaled 2.9 billion pounds as a result of seasonal increases in stocks of meats, poultry, and vegetables. Holdings of dairy products, eggs, fruits, and juices were down from a month earlier but these decreases were insufficient to counter the gains, thus freezer stocks were up 76 million pounds since September 30.

### Fruits, vegetables, and juices

Seasonal increases in holdings of fresh apples brought stocks to 38 million bushels and fresh pear holdings to almost 4 million boxes. The October net disappearance of frozen fruits was only half as large as the reduction of a year earlier when 12 million pounds were withdrawn from storage. The 6 million decline in frozen



fruits during October of this year left 484 million pounds in storage which compares with 459 million on October 31, 1955, and 394 million, the 5-year average for this date. Item-wise, holdings of apples, grapes, peaches, raspberries, plums and prunes increased during October, but these gains were more than offset by the seasonal reductions in stocks of apricots and berries, notably strawberries. Strawberries declined 18 million pounds to 217 million while this time last year stocks totaled 162 million pounds. The average for this date is 135 million. The storage movement for frozen vegetables since June of this year has been significant in that each month stocks set new highs for the date. By September 30, an all-time record was reached, 869 million pounds, but this was even surpassed by the October 31 stocks of 906 million pounds. Holdings of frozen peas were reduced by 31 million pounds during October to 263 million, which compares with 170 million a year earlier and the average for this date of 178 million. Stocks of asparagus and snap beans also were reduced during October but these seasonal declines were not sufficient to counter stock gains for lima beans, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, corn, peas and carrots, French fried potatoes, mixed vegetables, and spinach. The net gain in frozen vegetable holdings of 37 million pounds was almost twice the increase of a year earlier and 12 percent larger than average. Orange concentrate holdings were down 7 million gallons and by October 31 totaled 22 million. This time last year 18 million gallons were in storage while average holdings for this date are 15 million gallons.

#### Poultry, dairy, and eggs

The October into-storage movement of frozen turkeys was sufficient to double the holdings of September 30 and by October 31, turkey stocks totaled 197 million pounds, the largest on record. Previous to this, the record was 158 million on November 30, 1952, while the 5-year average for October 31 is 127 million pounds. This time last year, 144 million pounds were in storage. As a result of the sharp increase in turkey stocks, frozen poultry holdings reached a new October 31 high. With 360 million pounds in storage, stocks were only 4 million pounds under the present record set on January 31, 1946, but this may be surpassed because poultry stocks generally increase for at least another month. Not since 1946, have butter stocks been as low as 61 million pounds for October 31. These stocks were only about one-fourth as large as those of a year earlier and the 5-year average holdings as a result of a strong net withdrawal during the month. About 30 million pounds moved from storage compared with 38 million a year earlier and the average of 21 million. Warehouse stocks of American cheese declined 37 million pounds, leaving 457 million in storage. Average October reduction is 13 million and stocks 394 million pounds. This time last year a 23 million pound decline left 536 million pounds. Shell egg stocks were reduced by 132,000 cases to total 595,000 by October 31. These stocks were 9 percent under average for the date and 26 percent under the stocks of October 31, 1955. Stocks of frozen eggs, at 132 million pounds, were down 20 million from a month earlier. This October reduction was 6 million less than average and 8 million less than a year earlier. Stocks this time last year were down to 128 million pounds while average holdings for the date are 110 million pounds.

#### Meat and meat products

Holdings of beef each month of this year have been higher than in corresponding months in 1955. On October 31, stocks of beef reached 143 million pounds, 16 percent more than a year earlier, but about 3 percent under average. Present holdings were the third largest on record for the date since 1945. Pork holdings, on the other hand, were almost at a new record low. The 171 million pounds in storage on October 31 were the third lowest on record for the date and the fifth lowest in history as smaller holdings were reported in October 1945 and August, September, and October 1946. Generally, for this time of year stocks average 226 million pounds while this time last year, 205 million were in storage.

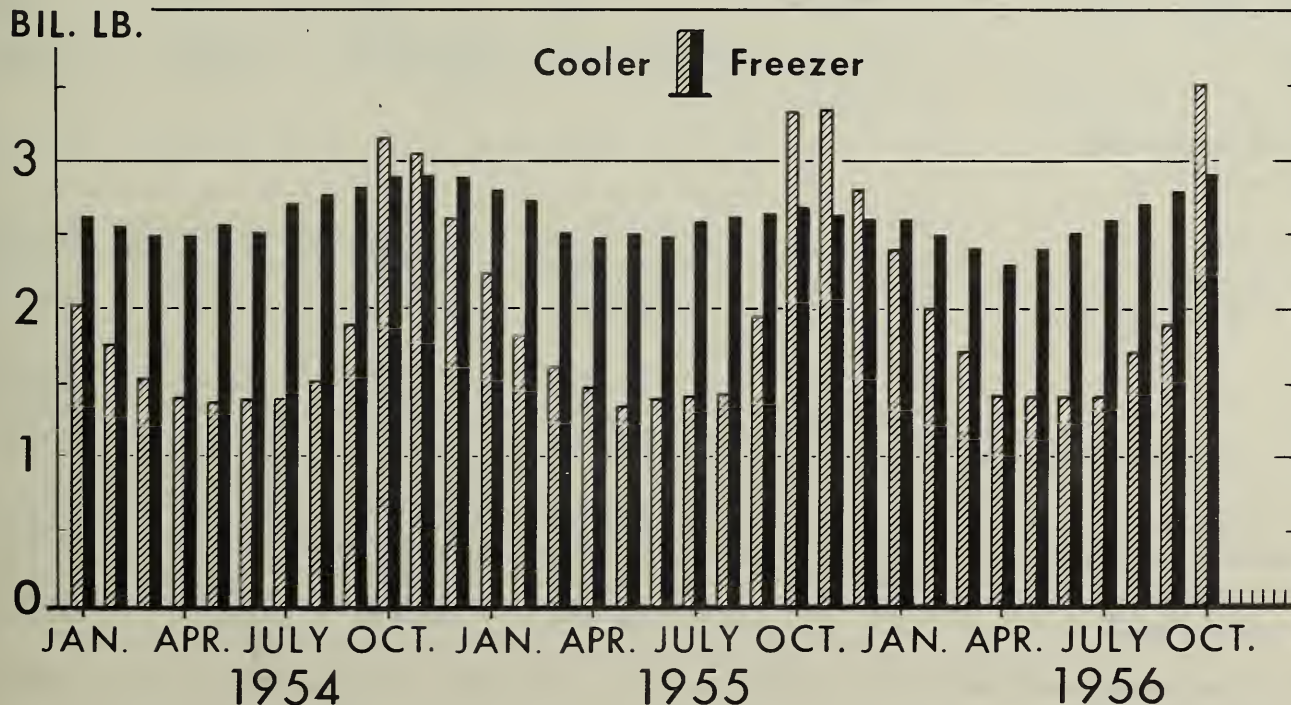


Table 1. -- Net changes in storage holdings during October (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings October 31, 1956	October net change		Freezer commodities	Holdings October 31, 1956	October net change	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>		<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Apples.....	1,811,760	1,508,544	-	Cream.....	18,040	- 4,229	19
Pears.....	185,250	- 94,600	34	Butter, creamery	60,576	- 29,676	33
Other fresh fruits	150,813	81,916	-	Eggs.....	131,830	- 20,185	13
Fresh vegetables..	88,308	58,469	-	Poultry.....	359,800	124,641	53
Dried & evap. fts.	33,779	- 6,888	17	Fruits.....	483,522	- 5,901	1
Nuts & nut meats..	100,348	- 22,392	18	Juices.....	340,959	- 68,697	17
Cheese.....	496,576	- 36,531	7	Vegetables.....	905,974	37,287	4
Other dairy prod..	100,712	- 12,047	11	Beef.....	137,434	26,000	23
Shell eggs.....	26,775	- 5,940	18	Veal.....	14,004	2,890	26
Dried eggs.....	4,292	- 921	18	Pork.....	104,326	4,561	5
Beef.....	5,917	35	1	Lamb and mutton..	11,151	1,448	15
Pork.....	66,591	842	1	Edible offal.....	44,999	469	1
Sausage.....	9,301	- 466	5	Sausage.....	4,114	- 244	6
Canned meats.....	46,337	- 3,271	7	Miscellaneous....	251,985	7,856	3
Miscellaneous.....	333,167	98,574	42				
Total.....	3,459,926	1,565,524	83	Total.....	2,868,714	76,220	3

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the tables that follow.

## NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES



END OF MONTH

Table 2. — End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during October and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Increased by 31 million bushels; October 1955 increase was 25 million bushels; average October increase was 22 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 2 million bushels; October 1955 change was an increase of .5 million bushels; average October change was a decrease of 1 million bushels.

Commodity	Unit	October 1951-55 av.	October 1955	September 1956	October 1956
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1)	Standard boxes	10,190	11,371	1,037	11,492
Western	Other containers	3,011	2,647	368	5,132
Eastern	Bushel baskets	4,532	3,930	961	4,424
Eastern	Other containers	11,872	16,431	3,951	16,697
Total	Bushel	29,605	34,379	6,317	37,745
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Boxes, baskets, etc.	79	82	3,167	221
Bartletts	L. A. lugs	2/	2/	462	122
Other varieties	Boxes, baskets, etc.	3,013	3,237	1,658	3,056
Other varieties	L. A. lugs	2/	2/	780	566
Total	Boxes, baskets, etc.	3/ 3,374	3/ 3,652	6,067	3,965
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	4/	142,066	5/ 56,813	5/ 145,829
Other fresh fruits	do.	160,686	9,726	12,084	4,984
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	29,341	27,650	40,467	33,779
Onions	do.	43,307	36,858	7,084	33,726
Celery	do.	6,326	5,338	3,650	5,717
Other fresh vegetables	do.	63,691	38,718	19,105	50,665
Nut meats, peanuts	do.	22,007	33,857	57,014	49,438
Nut meats, other nuts	do.	20,455	17,040	42,458	37,388
Peanuts, in shell	do.	1,251	2,561	5,500	1,862
Other nuts, in shell	do.	11,437	26,274	17,768	11,660

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

(2) Not reported separately prior to January 31, 1956.

(3) In terms of bushels. Does not include cannery stocks.

(4) Data not available. (5) Includes processing stocks.



Table 3. -- End-of-month apple holdings, by States

State	October 1951-55 av.	October 1955	October 1956 <u>1/</u>
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut.....	2,377	3,134	2,158
New York.....	6,464	8,116	6,706
New Jersey.....	464	408	399
Pennsylvania.....	975	1,074	1,651
Ohio.....	256	220	212
Illinois.....	511	331	869
Michigan.....	1,276	2,619	<u>2/</u> 4,305
Missouri.....	231	185	189
Kansas.....	121	197	161
Virginia.....	2,196	1,607	2,844
West Virginia.....	798	971	521
Washington.....	9,765	10,876	<u>2/</u> 12,690
Oregon.....	802	577	1,002
California.....	2,015	2,048	2,419
Other States (1).....	1,354	2,016	1,619
U. S. Total.....	29,605	34,379	37,745

1/ Includes processing stocks. Prior to 1956, processing stocks were excluded.

2/ Based upon more complete returns than in prior years.

Table 4. -- End-of-month pear holdings, by States

State	October 1951-55 av.	October 1955	October 1956 <u>1/</u>
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bx.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut.....	2	-	-
New York.....	37	37	26
New Jersey.....	47	14	20
Pennsylvania.....	3	1	1
Ohio.....	16	40	2
Illinois.....	16	38	6
Michigan.....	16	15	38
Missouri.....	3	1	-
Kansas.....	2	-	20
Virginia.....	3	-	1
West Virginia.....	-	-	-
Washington.....	823	1,006	894
Oregon.....	1,576	1,965	1,999
California.....	803	522	955
Other States (1).....	27	13	3
U. S. Total.....	3,374	3,652	3,965

1/ Includes processing stocks. Prior to 1956, processing stocks were excluded.

**Table 5. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables**

**Net changes in stocks during October and comparisons:**

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 6 million pounds; October 1955 decrease was 12 million pounds; average October change was an increase of 2 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Increased by 37 million pounds; October 1955 increase was 20 million pounds; average October increase was 33 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Decreased by 7 million gallons; October 1955 decrease was 4 million gallons; average October decrease was 4 million gallons.

Commodity	October 1951-55 av. 1,000 pounds	October 1955 1,000 pounds	September 1956 1,000 pounds	October 1956 1,000 pounds
<b>Fruits, frozen:</b>				
Apples . . . . .	15,117	16,439	16,710	20,149
Apricots . . . . .	5,930	9,736	7,395	6,910
Blackberries . . . . .	15,697	14,962	16,596	16,042
Blueberries . . . . .	21,868	24,002	17,853	16,294
Cherries . . . . .	65,026	76,149	61,275	54,762
Grapes . . . . .	14,457	12,642	6,510	20,202
Peaches . . . . .	32,283	41,207	42,739	43,609
Plums and Prunes . . . . .	10,196	11,684	10,083	10,798
Raspberries . . . . .	32,304	38,195	23,368	25,002
Strawberries . . . . .	135,447	162,295	235,456	217,465
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc. . . . .	13,099	17,304	19,998	17,110
All other fruits . . . . .	32,428	34,306	31,440	35,179
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>393,852</b>	<b>458,921</b>	<b>489,423</b>	<b>483,522</b>
<b>Juices, frozen:</b>				
Orange juice . . . . .	147,593	180,126	287,752	218,578
Gallons equivalent (1) . . . . .	14,908	18,195	29,066	22,079
Other fruit juices and purees . . . . .	86,629	107,421	121,904	122,381
<b>Vegetables, frozen:</b>				
Asparagus . . . . .	16,585	18,357	29,151	27,788
Beans, lima . . . . .	108,935	119,466	117,390	127,046
Beans, snap . . . . .	81,262	95,688	114,712	108,334
Broccoli . . . . .	30,986	28,737	38,509	50,079
Brussels sprouts . . . . .	13,650	16,395	8,036	13,404
Cauliflower . . . . .	13,083	10,521	14,802	24,781
Corn, sweet . . . . .	76,781	85,933	104,515	105,928
Mixed vegetables . . . . .	2/	2/	8,324	10,526
Peas, green . . . . .	178,044	169,783	294,591	263,387
Peas and carrots, mixed . . . . .	2/	2/	5,644	7,565
Potatoes, french fried . . . . .	2/	2/	19,006	23,324
Spinach . . . . .	39,132	34,614	38,772	40,162
All other vegetables . . . . .	95,715	113,327	75,235	103,658
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>654,173</b>	<b>692,821</b>	<b>868,687</b>	<b>905,974</b>

(1) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

(2) Data not available.



Table 6. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during October and comparisons:

Cream: Decreased by 4 million pounds; October 1955 decrease was 5 million pounds; average October decrease was 5 million pounds.

Butter: Decreased by 30 million pounds; October 1955 decrease was 38 million pounds; average October decrease was 21 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 37 million pounds; October 1955 decrease was 26 million pounds; average October decrease was 15 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Decreased by 132 thousand cases; October 1955 decrease was 336 thousand cases; average October decrease was 376 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Decreased by 20 million pounds; October 1955 decrease was 28 million pounds; average October decrease was 26 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Increased by 125 million pounds; October 1955 increase was 96 million pounds; average October increase was 91 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	October 1951-55 av. Thou.	October 1955 Thou.	September 1956 Thou.	October 1956 Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream . . . . .	Pound	20,840	12,921	18,278	14,571
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat) . . . . .	do.	2,951	2,812	3,991	3,469
Condensed milk (bulk) . . . . .	do.	15,884	10,734	11,269	8,978
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods) . . . . .	do.	101,151	96,632	101,490	91,734
Butter, creamery . . . . .	do.	245,634	256,626	90,252	60,576
Cheese:					
American Cheddar . . . . .	do.	394,372	536,355	493,648	456,730
Swiss, including block . . . . .	do.	9,285	5,663	8,794	8,796
All other varieties . . . . .	do.	21,847	24,463	30,665	31,050
Total cheese . . . . .	do.	425,504	566,481	533,107	496,576
Eggs:					
Shell . . . . .	Case	651	804	727	595
Frozen eggs, total . . . . .	Pound	109,920	127,847	152,015	131,830
Whites . . . . .	do.	28,479	30,317	45,280	40,212
Yolks . . . . .	do.	25,927	34,660	37,644	32,575
Whole or mixed . . . . .	do.	48,635	56,006	63,226	53,751
Unclassified . . . . .	do.	6,879	6,864	5,865	5,292
Dried eggs (egg solids) . . . . .	do.	7,386	5,122	5,213	4,292
Total eggs (1) . . . . .	Case	4,230	4,627	5,186	4,440
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers or fryers . . . . .	Pound	18,670	17,671	19,745	21,175
Roasters . . . . .	do.	11,127	7,185	7,375	9,255
Hens, fowls . . . . .	do.	58,325	45,684	54,970	71,038
Turkeys . . . . .	do.	127,378	144,255	98,216	196,926
Ducks . . . . .	do.	14,938	13,550	12,099	11,626
Miscellaneous . . . . .	do.	9,641	6,688	12,096	14,442
Unclassified . . . . .	do.	26,282	23,380	30,658	35,338
Total poultry . . . . .	do.	266,361	258,413	235,159	359,800

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

Table 7. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States

October 31, 1956

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid	Plastic					
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 cases	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Massachusetts . . . . .	388		2,320	1,681	5	2,123	12,157
Other States . . . . .			525	400	1	1,075	5,020
New England . . . . .			2,845	2,081	6	3,198	17,177
New York . . . . .	7,980	1,886	5,619	75,503	37	10,494	32,515
New Jersey . . . . .	939		5,703	5,011	65	4,345	10,960
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,104	410	1,602	12,301	17	5,460	26,170
Middle Atlantic . . . . .			12,924	92,815	119	20,299	69,645
Ohio . . . . .	378		3,985	12,152	21	6,525	8,319
Indiana . . . . .	15		266	1,906		3,246	2,810
Illinois . . . . .	559		9,692	27,866	238	21,095	43,714
Michigan . . . . .	156		1,325	10,746	5	2,205	10,945
Wisconsin . . . . .	672	13	2,293	170,902	2	640	2,015
East North Central . . . . .			17,561	223,572	266	33,711	67,803
Minnesota . . . . .	76	57	3,992	11,694	6	5,439	23,475
Iowa . . . . .	122		2,351	2,033	8	11,013	7,876
Missouri . . . . .	24	279	1,315	43,412	14	21,145	13,440
Dakotas . . . . .			1,086	42		374	929
Nebraska . . . . .	48		1,893	612	16	5,909	18,142
Kansas . . . . .			820	8,225	6	7,411	5,689
West North Central . . . . .			11,457	66,018	50	51,291	69,551
South Atlantic . . . . .			2,041	22,348	37	6,113	36,910
Kentucky . . . . .			1,526	9,217	3	1,319	1,525
Tennessee . . . . .			789	9,924	6	1,411	2,928
Ala. and Mississippi . . . . .			407	7,572		226	1,898
East South Central . . . . .			2,722	26,713	9	2,956	6,351
Arkansas and Louisiana . . . . .			784	5,442	9	1,174	3,742
Oklahoma . . . . .	15		748	774	4	2,209	1,782
Texas . . . . .	85	7	938	1,647	18	3,490	9,387
West South Central . . . . .			2,470	7,863	31	6,873	14,911
Colorado . . . . .			532	195	7	535	4,311
Other States . . . . .			807	1,927	2	399	15,175
Mountain . . . . .			1,339	2,122	9	934	19,486
Washington . . . . .			2,480	212	4	860	4,981
Oregon . . . . .			894	5,338	6	261	6,804
California . . . . .	676	109	3,843	7,648	58	5,334	46,181
Pacific . . . . .			7,217	13,198	68	6,455	57,966
Other States . . . . .	1,334	708					
United States . . . . .	14,571	3,469	60,576	456,730	595	131,830	359,800



Table 8. -- End-of-month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during October and comparisons:

Beef: Increased by 26 million pounds; October 1955 increase was 13 million pounds; average October increase was 21 million pounds.

Pork: Increased by 5 million pounds; October 1955 increase was 26 million pounds; average October change was a decrease of 16 million pounds.

Other meats: Increased by 1 million pounds; October 1955 increase was .4 million pounds; average October change was a decrease of 1 million pounds.

Commodity	October 1951-55 av.	October 1955	September 1956	October 1956
<b>Beef:</b>				
Frozen . . . . .	138,808	113,683	110,832	136,864
In cure, cured and smoked . . . . .	8,576	9,026	6,484	6,487
Total . . . . .	147,384	122,709	117,316	143,351
<b>Pork:</b>				
Frozen . . . . .	107,653	111,045	89,250	93,245
Dry salt, in cure and cured . . . . .	19,243	14,895	12,386	12,785
Other in cure, cured, and smoked . . . . .	99,351	79,257	63,878	64,887
Total . . . . .	226,247	205,197	165,514	170,917
<b>Other meats and meat products:</b>				
Sausage and sausage room products . . . . .	13,770	12,562	14,125	13,415
Frozen lamb and mutton . . . . .	10,768	9,569	9,703	11,151
Frozen veal . . . . .	14,107	13,569	11,114	14,004
Canned meats and meat products . . . . .	25,736	25,253	49,608	46,337
All edible offal . . . . .	49,437	55,219	44,530	44,999
Total . . . . .	113,818	116,172	129,080	129,906
Total all meats . . . . .	487,449	444,078	411,910	444,174
Hides and pelts . . . . .	70,953	82,726	65,120	66,144

Table 9. End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	October 1955	September 1956	October 1956
Frozen fish:	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Bait & animal food (salt & fresh-water.....)	4,969	7,579	6,372
Salt-water:			
Filletts and steaks:			
Blocks and slabs.....	16,244	15,081	14,907
Cod.....	7,794	10,374	10,548
Flounder.....	5,259	5,028	3,465
Haddock.....	9,357	12,213	12,616
Halibut.....	2,372	2,708	2,063
Ocean perch.....	15,345	21,703	23,341
Pollock.....	1,231	980	1,239
Salmon.....	393	480	568
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly").....	2,358	1,569	2,745
Other filletts and steaks.....	3,361	5,535	5,003
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked all species).....	4,508	4,076	5,077
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Halibut.....	19,195	23,436	19,387
Mackerel (except Spanish).....	1,657	1,485	1,527
Sablefish.....	3,775	1,922	3,276
Salmon:			
King or chinook.....	3,863	6,483	6,562
Silver or coho.....	3,433	5,423	5,696
Fall or chum.....	496	1,361	953
Unclassified.....	1,105	1,440	2,370
Smelt.....	1,591	1,156	1,261
Swordfish.....	1,823	1,786	1,363
Tuna.....	6,672	906	797
Whiting, headed and gutted.....	14,957	10,324	9,778
Other salt-water fish (except bait)...	16,489	14,243	16,158
Fresh-water:			
Filletts and steaks.....	709	1,452	1,893
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Chubs.....	1,131	914	925
Trout.....	1,309	915	1,221
Whitefish.....	1,570	1,840	1,773
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)...	3,918	3,736	4,044
Frozen shellfish:			
Crabs (incl. crab meat).....	957	2,060	2,221
Lobster tails (spiny).....	2,856	3,911	3,256
Oysters.....	459	480	507
Scallops.....	3,004	2,483	2,925
Shrimp, raw and headless.....	16,509	11,905	14,691
all other.....	5,914	4,597	4,963
Squid.....	1,366	1,325	1,520
Other shellfish.....	2,834	2,739	2,632
Total frozen fish and shellfish.....	190,783	195,648	199,643
Cured fish.....	21,051	16,780	10,639
Total all fish and shellfish.....	211,834	212,428	210,282

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.



Table 10. -- Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,  
September 30, 1956

Cooler commodities	Net weight	Freezer commodities	Net weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples.....	26,592	Cream.....	18,478
Pears.....	99,600	Butter, creamery.....	82,957
Other fresh fruits.....	14,466	Eggs.....	136,339
Fresh vegetables.....	19,520	Poultry.....	208,041
Dried & evap. fruits....	39,842	Fruits.....	369,088
Nuts & nut meats.....	95,395	Juices.....	202,442
Cheese.....	372,696	Vegetables.....	630,587
Other dairy products....	109,883	Beef.....	84,984
Shell eggs.....	32,085	Veal.....	7,273
Dried eggs.....	3,741	Pork.....	53,364
Beef.....	726	Lamb and mutton.....	6,242
Pork.....	921	Edible offal.....	18,288
Sausage.....	611	Sausage.....	3,384
Canned meats.....	33,479	Fish.....	151,689
Lard.....	28,725	Miscellaneous.....	57,675
Fish.....	14,940		
Miscellaneous.....	127,872		
Total.....	1,021,094	Total.....	2,030,831

Table 11. -- End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the  
Government (1)

	Unit	October 1951-55 av.	October 1955	September 1956	October 1956 2/
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery.....		176,964	189,873	20,490	7,311
American Cheddar cheese.....		188,706	303,923	228,888	189,371
Pork.....		10,044	4,999	8,039	3,878
Beef.....		14,624	4,714	6,159	5,380

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

(3) Data not available.

TABLE 12. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions.

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
<b>Fruits, frozen:</b>											
Apples . . . . .	Pound	569	6,479	3,647	1,300	5,914	330	443	157	1,310	20,149
Apricots . . . . .	do.	71	524	769	317	209	27	172	65	4,756	6,910
Blackberries . . . . .	do.	15	919	1,219	1,638	381	1,488	824	85	9,473	16,042
Blueberries . . . . .	do.	3,353	4,706	4,804	1,129	832	68	129	67	1,206	16,294
Cherries . . . . .	do.	256	20,108	17,956	4,624	3,169	456	773	2,351	5,069	54,762
Grapes . . . . .	do.	4	8,642	10,782	205	69	103	38	15	344	20,202
Peaches . . . . .	do.	445	7,036	5,774	3,337	7,534	650	1,453	334	17,046	43,609
Plums and prunes . . . . .	do.	19	2,013	3,394	173	88	169	522	202	4,218	10,798
Raspberries . . . . .	do.	843	5,550	4,235	1,650	676	188	202	248	11,410	25,002
Strawberries . . . . .	do.	5,043	25,781	22,166	18,436	8,189	16,732	4,971	2,199	113,948	217,465
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	do.	260	1,229	1,695	594	219	74	403	181	12,455	17,110
All other fruits . . . . .	do.	4,267	6,397	5,874	2,311	2,003	473	765	887	12,202	35,179
Total . . . . .	do.	15,145	89,384	82,315	35,714	29,283	20,758	10,695	6,791	193,437	483,522
<b>Juices, frozen:</b>											
Orange juice (1) . . . . .	do.	2,765	12,403	9,713	4,441	150,005	1,056	2,708	1,673	33,814	218,578
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	3,698	26,698	16,109	9,311	38,795	1,106	6,619	1,524	18,521	122,381
<b>Vegetables, frozen:</b>											
Asparagus . . . . .	do.	682	6,454	1,929	2,281	4,014	292	418	480	11,238	27,788
Beans, lima . . . . .	do.	940	25,682	6,914	10,129	19,065	3,712	1,370	7,086	52,148	127,046
Beans, snap . . . . .	do.	1,899	42,734	5,141	4,424	9,853	1,492	855	558	41,378	108,334
Broccoli . . . . .	do.	647	11,999	2,708	3,298	3,252	811	872	417	26,075	50,079
Brussels sprouts . . . . .	do.	224	2,525	806	935	561	731	462	331	6,829	13,404
Cauliflower . . . . .	do.	387	4,927	1,998	1,425	1,102	620	582	320	13,417	24,781
Corn, sweet . . . . .	do.	915	19,818	7,161	23,430	5,965	1,173	1,207	3,709	42,542	105,920
Mixed vegetables . . . . .	do.	61	2,057	1,045	2,321	744	211	399	177	3,511	10,526
Peas, green . . . . .	do.	15,753	40,400	15,239	34,068	10,311	3,396	2,083	11,347	130,790	263,387
Peas and carrots, mixed . . . . .	do.	73	1,820	454	1,506	518	124	171	197	2,702	7,565
Potatoes, french fried . . . . .	do.	2,888	4,583	2,282	2,736	1,688	627	442	2,987	5,091	23,324
Spinach . . . . .	do.	616	11,521	2,298	4,699	3,451	1,033	884	636	15,024	40,162
All other vegetables . . . . .	do.	1,575	16,157	13,389	14,685	15,078	11,350	3,725	1,273	26,426	103,658
Total . . . . .	do.	26,660	190,677	61,364	105,937	75,602	25,572	13,473	29,518	377,171	905,974
<b>Fruits, vegetables and nuts:</b>											
Fresh grapes . . . . .	do.		138	1,959	332	37	26			143,337	145,829
Other fresh fruits . . . . .	do.	33	2,210	538	43	83	555	144	109	1,269	4,984
Dried and evaporated fruits . . . . .	do.	1,248	15,733	5,721	1,143	2,180	435	1,832	12	5,475	33,779
Onions . . . . .	do.		25,279	1,291	45	126		90	29	6,866	33,726
Celery . . . . .	do.		4,148	425	1,085	58	1				5,717
Other fresh vegetables . . . . .	do.	157	12,612	15,899	2,681	299	685	3,055	1,731	13,546	50,665
Peanut meats . . . . .	do.	1,490	514	3,208	305	34,351	2,216	6,979		375	49,438
Other nut meats . . . . .	do.	1,530	8,858	6,058	1,587	1,542	487	3,169	6	14,151	37,388
Peanuts, in shell . . . . .	do.		193	644	75	785	16	66	8	75	1,862
Other nuts, in shell . . . . .	do.	949	1,123	1,156	527	1,415	397	2,805	55	3,233	11,660
Fresh apples . . . . .	Bushel	2,884	8,755	5,547	385	3,661	35		269	26,110	37,745
Fresh pears . . . . .	Boxes(2)		47	45	21	1			3	3,848	3,965

(1) Concentrated and single strength.

(2) Standard boxes, bushel baskets, lugs, etc.

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TABLE 12.-- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic)	Pound	751	10,023	1,780	270	731	144	117	10	745	14,571
Cream, plastic	do.	582	2,296	13	336	122	4	7		109	3,469
Butter, creamy	do.	2,845	12,924	17,561	11,457	2,041	2,722	2,470	1,339	7,217	60,576
Cheese, American Cheddar	do.	2,081	92,815	223,572	66,018	22,348	26,713	7,863	2,122	13,198	456,730
Cheese, Swiss including block	do.	17	588	4,751	2,934	5		71	233	197	8,796
Cheese, all other varieties	do.	552	10,288	14,621	2,770	925	384	491	702	317	31,050
Eggs, shell	Case	6	119	266	50	37	9	31	9	68	595
Eggs, frozen	Pound	3,198	20,299	33,711	51,291	6,113	2,956	6,873	934	6,455	131,830
Eggs, dried (egg solids)	do.	22	331	423	3,368	70	3	23		52	4,292
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers or fryers	do.	981	4,047	2,091	3,278	3,953	637	2,237	763	3,268	21,175
Roasters	do.	1,507	5,104	1,002	533	487	22	213	21	366	9,255
Hens, fowls	do.	3,682	18,606	10,229	23,021	2,227	881	1,837	1,469	9,086	71,038
Turkeys	do.	9,072	28,721	33,073	36,626	21,547	2,895	9,397	15,918	39,677	196,926
Ducks	do.	749	5,707	2,576	416	690	256	328	101	803	11,626
Miscellaneous	do.	600	4,925	4,387	2,327	169	159	227	167	1,481	14,442
Unclassified	do.	586	2,535	14,445	3,350	7,937	1,501	672	1,027	3,285	35,338
Total	do.	17,177	69,645	67,803	69,551	36,910	6,351	14,911	19,486	57,966	359,800
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	11,315	16,175	37,327	26,934	3,985	4,422	16,874	2,780	17,052	136,864
Veal, frozen	do.	754	2,946	2,526	2,828	939	606	2,125	186	1,094	14,004
Pork, frozen	do.	1,930	11,613	28,910	30,589	4,625	2,403	6,022	1,792	5,356	93,245
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	347	1,048	2,196	1,675	146	132	3,837	444	1,326	11,151
Beef, in cure, cured and smoked	do.	26	1,487	2,448	1,820	439	17	140	4	106	6,487
Dry salt pork, in cure & cured	do.	38	433	4,990	5,077	983	228	623	340	73	12,785
All other pork, in cure, cured and smoked	do.	62	5,662	12,213	33,245	5,184	986	2,520	896	4,119	64,887
All edible offal	do.	916	3,272	14,831	16,558	1,506	1,435	2,036	1,250	3,195	44,999
Sausage room products	do.	218	2,514	3,704	3,801	1,282	299	316	203	1,078	13,415
Canned meats and meat products	do.	8,709	13,025	7,826	11,829	859	134	805	213	2,937	46,337
Total	do.	24,315	58,175	116,971	134,356	19,948	10,667	35,298	8,108	36,336	444,174
Hides and pelts	do.	3,781	3,657	17,664	30,858	2,500	606	4,038	1,338	1,702	66,144
Fish, frozen	do.	60,021	38,329	23,861	7,948	7,408	10,687	2,672	1,052	1/47,665	199,643

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

Table 13.--United States refrigerated usable piling space, October 1, 1955 <sup>1/</sup>

State or geographic region	Type of Warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	1,759	485	201	73	2/	2/	5	1,050
Massachusetts.....	9,207	2,533	898	357	302	280	24	3,935
Rhode Island & Conn.....	1,126	486	24	69	2/	2/	22	2,488
NEW ENGLAND.....	12,092	3,504	1,123	499	359	341	51	7,473
New York.....	20,398	22,728	1,882	3,859	666	3,118	104	15,320
New Jersey.....	8,614	6,356	2,451	458	2/	2/	12	2,074
Pennsylvania.....	8,649	6,218	1,185	1,541	2/	2/	283	4,882
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	37,661	35,302	5,518	5,858	1,113	4,059	399	22,276
Ohio.....	7,642	4,740	365	400	103	1,891	4	940
Indiana.....	2,157	625	318	151	305	418	2/	2/
Illinois.....	15,732	14,398	4,961	2,229	1,147	3,719	10	1,580
Michigan.....	6,069	5,175	1,139	1,325	(830	(2,105	179	8,434
Wisconsin.....	2,669	6,937	500	4,618			2/	2/
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	34,269	31,875	7,283	8,723	2,385	8,133	193	11,158
Minnesota.....	5,628	1,349	2,937	169	1,318	608	-	-
Iowa.....	4,090	908	816	436	1,895	2,208	-	-
Missouri & North Dakota.....	8,612	5,785	297	361	986	2,369	2/	2/
South Dakota & Nebraska.....	3,943	938	1,406	273	1,153	4,980	-	-
Kansas.....	5,586	9,302	731	142	654	1,852	2/	2/
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	27,859	18,282	6,187	1,381	6,006	12,017	5	607
Delaware, Maryland & D. C...	5,956	1,077	418	230	2/	2/	-	880
Virginia and W. Virginia....	3,124	8,132	1,064	855	26	184	(233	(14,020
North and South Carolina....	1,289	754	354	308	2/	2/	-	-
Georgia.....	2,387	4,977	118	135	292	627	-	-
Florida.....	11,502	1,238	13,555	490	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	24,248	16,178	15,509	2,018	372	1,110	233	14,900
Kentucky.....	1,169	1,250	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
Tennessee.....	4,291	2,034	535	35	217	495	2/	2/
Alabama and Mississippi.....	1,233	1,157	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	6,693	4,441	650	207	265	571	2/	2/
Arkansas.....	653	277	(330	(75	2/	2/	2/	2/
Louisiana.....	2,529	928			2/	2/	-	-
Oklahoma.....	1,220	540	115	96	809	1,772	-	-
Texas.....	7,949	6,381	345	925	1,051	138	-	-
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	12,351	8,126	790	1,096	1,883	1,914	2/	2/
MOUNTAIN.....	5,083	1,580	1,143	304	416	1,279	2/	2/
Washington.....	10,119	2,289	4,385	797	272	764	671	56,189
Oregon.....	7,578	1,848	3,612	868	(277	(1,755	-	6,903
California.....	24,882	11,451	7,525	13,888			532	6,803
PACIFIC.....	42,579	15,588	15,522	15,553	549	2,519	1,203	69,895
UNITED STATES.....	202,835	134,876	53,725	35,639	13,348	31,943	2,084	127,065

<sup>1/</sup> Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1955.

<sup>2/</sup> Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.



TABLE 14.- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1) October 1956		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			October 1951-55 av.		October 1955		September 1956		October 1956 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	cu. ft.	cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt. . . .	1,000 434	1,000 1,484	43	69	26	56	31	59	34	66
Massachusetts . . . . .	2,578	6,470	53	90	59	91	84	71	87	77
R. I. and Connecticut . .	318	1,430	76	74	91	71	39	57	58	64
New England . . . . .	3,330	9,384	53	85	57	83	73	67	78	73
New York . . . . .	22,780	19,140	75	81	76	78	57	72	76	77
New Jersey . . . . .	3,984	9,397	70	88	76	82	61	74	51	76
Pennsylvania . . . . .	4,245	8,819	75	86	78	81	58	82	73	85
Middle Atlantic . . . . .	31,009	37,356	74	84	77	80	58	75	72	79
Ohio . . . . .	3,441	6,567	69	88	63	83	68	78	73	82
Indiana . . . . .	689	1,979	76	80	80	73	73	74	81	80
Illinois . . . . .	13,449	13,975	69	84	64	82	71	65	79	65
Michigan . . . . .	3,653	4,012	81	89	81	84	82	84	91	92
Wisconsin . . . . .	5,281	2,006	82	83	83	70	80	63	80	68
East North Central . . .	26,513	28,539	73	85	70	81	74	71	80	74
Minnesota . . . . .	1,533	4,859	72	79	72	71	80	72	85	81
Iowa . . . . .	511	2,775	60	65	44	62	26	45	37	42
Missouri . . . . .	4,697	8,806	72	64	71	63	68	57	67	60
Dakotas and Nebraska . .	803	4,004	54	78	62	56	61	85	63	87
Kansas . . . . .	9,243	5,198	71	73	88	62	57	70	55	72
West North Central . . .	16,787	25,642	71	71	78	63	61	66	61	69
Delaware, Maryland & D.C.	1,370	5,202	55	79	53	60	62	71	62	77
Virginia and West Va. . .	4,848	2,750	70	80	53	72	54	71	69	76
North and South Carolina .	427	448	62	85	58	78	71	72	84	68
Georgia . . . . .	3,491	2,270	65	84	68	88	76	82	72	86
Florida . . . . .	1,050	9,397	66	47	59	47	76	50	79	46
South Atlantic . . . . .	11,136	20,067	66	70	58	61	64	62	71	63
Kentucky . . . . .	951	1,171	81	82	78	75	73	77	79	80
Tennessee . . . . .	1,889	3,823	83	82	76	78	78	76	87	82
Alabama and Mississippi .	742	840	80	88	74	76	78	36	79	83
East South Central . . .	3,582	5,834	82	83	76	77	77	70	83	81
Arkansas . . . . .	210	441	62	78	46	71	33	76	44	88
Louisiana . . . . .	1,002	1,420	71	82	61	70	71	70	72	75
Oklahoma . . . . .	523	1,219	61	77	58	78	58	75	51	77
Texas . . . . .	5,925	7,011	57	56	57	46	61	60	62	62
West South Central . . .	7,660	10,091	59	63	57	54	61	64	62	67
Mountain . . . . .	1,215	4,729	67	82	69	84	63	86	66	91
Washington . . . . .	1,643	7,684	52	74	41	61	36	78	48	81
Oregon . . . . .	705	6,509	40	81	44	82	30	83	19	87
California . . . . .	11,127	20,079	67	85	52	80	64	86	73	89
Pacific . . . . .	13,475	34,272	62	82	50	76	59	84	67	87
United States (4) . . .	114,707	175,914	70	80	68	74	64	72	71	76

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held October 31, 1956.

(2) Preliminary

(3) Insufficient returns received from this State.

(4) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

**TABLE 15.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities**

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			September 1955		October 1955		September 1956		October 1956	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England:										
Boston . . . . .	1,695	4,718	56	90	48	96	95	74	92	81
Middle Atlantic:										
New York . . . . .	6,204	8,558	78	72	74	74	84	71	78	73
Jersey City. . . . .	3,677	5,804	78	73	77	77	62	68	49	71
Buffalo. . . . .	565	2,166	94	87	93	84	99	67	99	94
Rochester. . . . .	6,583	2,531	47	70	74	69	37	66	73	69
Philadelphia . . . . .	1,526	5,880	76	74	79	80	70	81	75	84
Pittsburgh . . . . .	1,488	2,108	65	83	64	86	56	84	57	86
E. N. Central:										
Cleveland. . . . .	2,077	2,631	60	84	59	81	64	78	68	85
Cincinnati . . . . .	3/	3/	80	80	76	88	80	72	3/	3/
Chicago. . . . .	10,526	13,171	74	84	67	83	72	65	78	64
Detroit. . . . .	3,097	3,701	75	79	78	83	80	86	92	92
Milwaukee. . . . .	659	1,390	90	74	90	83	76	70	84	77
W. N. Central:										
Minneapolis. . . . .	918	2,517	62	78	66	76	83	75	84	87
St. Louis. . . . .	1,994	3,531	65	61	68	63	56	51	59	63
Kansas City . . . . .	1,717	5,288	59	55	60	65	59	74	65	76
South Atlantic:										
Baltimore & D. C. . . . .	1,320	4,956	59	53	51	59	62	70	61	76
Richmond . . . . .	940	721	65	61	71	62	65	69	56	81
Norfolk . . . . .	3/	3/	85	68	82	76	89	70	3/	3/
E. S. Central:										
Nashville. . . . .	3/	3/	72	86	88	83	3/	3/	3/	3/
Memphis. . . . .	394	1,627	62	77	63	76	83	70	90	77
W. S. Central:										
New Orleans. . . . .	857	1,181	64	67	60	64	67	64	68	70
Dallas . . . . .	3,452	3,578	60	41	59	42	61	59	61	61
Ft. Worth. . . . .	802	1,229	39	38	51	51	51	52	55	53
Pacific:										
Seattle. . . . .	685	1,555	53	64	53	73	81	30	87	83
Tacoma . . . . .	353	1,984	8	70	9	60	5	69	12	75
Portland . . . . .	338	3,483	55	84	43	84	43	75	30	86
Los Angeles. . . . .	2,873	5,955	68	79	74	86	87	87	91	92
San Francisco. . . . .	2,110	2,432	58	74	35	82	73	79	60	84
San Jose . . . . .	2,390	3,205	42	75	51	78	78	93	81	94
Modesto . . . . .	85	2,416	56	69	43	85	57	96	42	98

- (1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.
- (2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held October 31, 1956.
- (3) Insufficient returns received from this city.



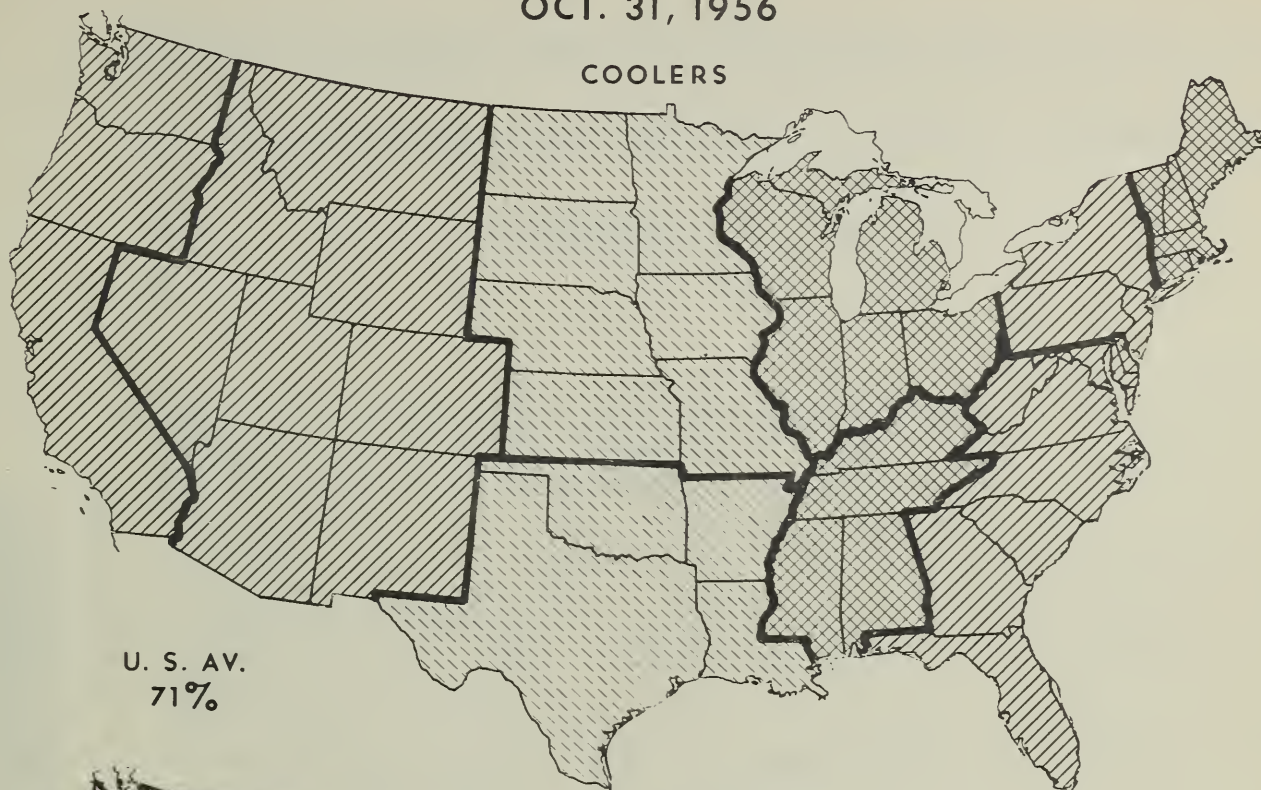
# PUBLIC GENERAL COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES

(APPLE HOUSES EXCLUDED)

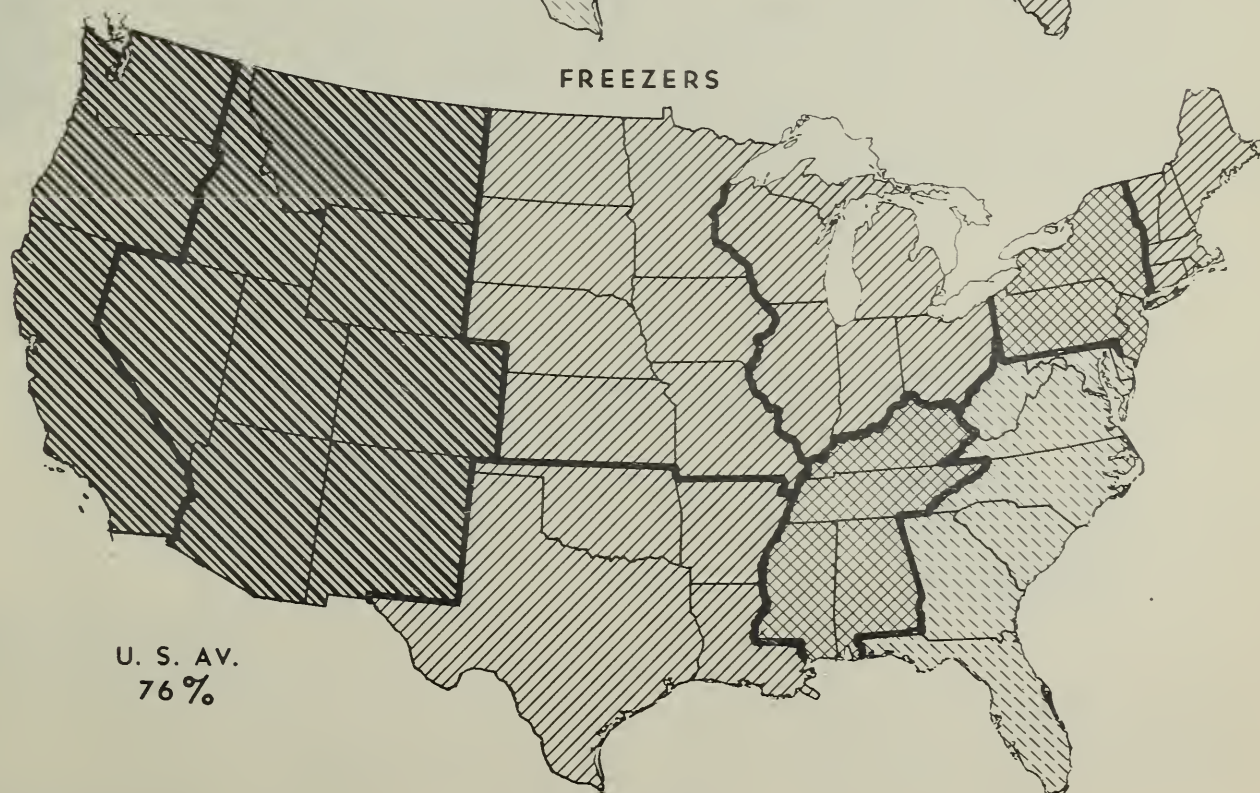
PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

OCT. 31, 1956

## COOLERS



## FREEZERS



### % OCCUPANCY

Under 55   55 - 64   65 - 74   75 - 84   85 & over

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